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C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 2217

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: KOREA

REF: KHARTOUM 2211 (NOTAL)

1. AT MY REQUEST SOUTH KOREAN CONSUL CHONG MOO LEE CALLED AT EMBASSY TUESDAY, JULY 27, FOR BRIEFING ON MY MEETING WITH FONMIN MAKKAWI YESTERDAY. TOLD LEE WE HAD URGED GOS ADOPT CONSTRUCTIVE STANCE ON KOREAN ISSUE AT NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT AND HAD STRESSED IMPORTANCE ISSUE TO USG. REPORTED MAKKAWI'S REACTION AS NEITHER ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGING NOR DISCOURAGING.

2. SOUTH KOREANS HAVE THEMSELVES BEEN BUSY TRYING TO LOBBY ON THEIR BEHALF, ALBEIT WITH LITTLE SUCCESS. LEE SAID THAT HE HAS BEEN TRYING TO OBTAIN GOS APPROVAL FOR VISIT HERE SOON OF EX-FONMIN KIM DONG-JO AND APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT NIMEIRI (SEOUL 5451). AT FIRST IT HAD APPEARED THAT GOS WOULD RECEIVE KOREAN ENVOY, BUT ON JULY 26
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LEE WAS INFORMED THAT VISIT OF ENVOY WOULD BE "POLITICAL"

IN NATURE AND THEREFORE WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE IN ABSENCE
FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN GOS AND ROK. LEE
PLANS CONTINUE HIS EFFORTS BUT REALIZES IT IS HIGHLY
UNLIKELY THAT HE WILL SUCCEED. PARENTHETICALLY, LEE
NOTED SENIOR ROK CONGEN KIM (CURRENTLY MINISTER IN
LONDON) WOULD BE ARRIVING HERE BY END MONTH TO ASSUME
CHARGE ROK OFFICE.

3. SUBSEQUENT FOREGOING, TOOK ADVANTAGE CALL ON FONOFF DIRGEN POL
AFFS AMIN ABD AL-LATIF TO INTRODUCE NEW DCM
TO REITERATE POINTS MADE TO MAKKAWI (REFTEL).
ABD AL-LATIF WAS A BIT MORE FORTHCOMING THAN HIS BOSS.
HE SAID GOS RECOGNIZES ANY DISCUSSION ON KOREAN ISSUE
WOULD REQUIRE PRESENCE OF BOTH PARTIES. SUDAN HAD BEEN
QUIETLY CONTACTING SEVERAL OTHER NON-ALIGNED MODERATES
AND A NUMBER, NOTABLY YUGOSLAVIANS, FELT THE SAME WAY.
HE HOPED OUTCOME SUMMIT WOULD REFLECT THE MODERATE VIEW.

4. COMMENT. STRICTLY SPEAKING, GOS IS PROBABLY CORRECT
IN DESCRIBING VISIT OF SPECIAL ENVOY AS POLITICAL AND
BEYOND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF RECENTLY OPENED SOUTH KOREA
CONGEN HERE. ON OTHER HAND, ABD AL-LATIF'S REMARKS
INDICATE FONOFF AWARENESS AT HIGH LEVEL THAT ATTEMPT
RESOLVE KOREAN PROBLEM WITHOUT PARTICIPATION OF SOUTH
KOREANS THEMSELVES IS ABSURD AND WHAT IS MORE (AS HE
MENTIONED) A BAD PRECEDENT IN TERMS OF PALESTINIAN ROLE
IN ARAB-ISRAEL DISPUTE. GOS RELUCTANCE RECEIVE SPECIAL
ENVOY KIM COULD THUS BE COSMETIC AND DESIGNED OBIVATE
HEAVY NORTH KOREAN COUNTER-PRESSURE. ABD AL-LATIF'S
COMMENT RE YUGOSLAVIA NO DOUBT REFLECTS LAST WEEK'S
VISIT KHARTOUM BY SENIOR YUGOSLAV EMISSARY REPORTEDLY
TO DISCUSS NON-ALIGNED ISSUES. BREWER

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